Guest House Establishment.

208. *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the annual expenditure for the old Guest House establishment together with the annual cost of the present Guests Department establishment?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Old Guest House Establishment—Rs. 7,140-0-0.

The present Guests Department Establishment—Rs. 18,792-18-0).

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know the average number of guests per annum that the Department attends to?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have not collected the information about the number of guests entertained by the State. The main question relates only to the annual expenditure on the Guest House establishment.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether, after the appointment of the Directress, the expenditure in connection with accommodating State Guests has increased or decreased?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That depends upon the number of guests that visit the State. If more guests have visited, the expenditure must naturally have increased.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from Government whether there is a gentleman named Irwine as Assistant Director of the Guest House?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the reason why in the presence of Mr. Irwine in service, a retired Lady Officer has been appointed as Directress?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government considered it necessary to appoint such an officer.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know the average per capita expenditure on the State Guests?

PRESIDENT: That will depend upon the nature of the guests.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): But may I know the average expenditure per head taking into consideration the maximum and minimum costs on the guests.

RAO SAHIB DR. N KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered that I have not collected the information about the number of guests entertained, the expenditure incurred, etc.

Teachers in the Vernacular Branch of the Education Department.

209. *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*) With reference to the acting list of teachers in the Vernacular Branch of the Education Department, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the old list kept by the Chief Inspector of Schools before the reorganisation of the Inspectorate has been cancelled;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that a new list has been ordered to be prepared and, if so, the principles under which the new list has been directed to be prepared;

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